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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 (a)

Sir:

The applicants in the captioned application hereby petition to have the application examined under Rule 1.47 (a). One of the inventors, namely Mr. James A. Merkle, Jr., could not be reached after diligent effort, and therefore is not available to execute the application.

The comments provided in the attached Affidavit of Anthony P. Onello, Jr. set forth proof of the pertinent facts related to the diligent effort undertaken to reach Mr. Merkle, and include his last known address.

A petition fee of \$130.00 under rule 1.17(h) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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